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SUBJECT: REPORTED DETENTION OF MR. IBRAHIM ABU SHARAR

1. DEPT HAS BEEN REQUESTED BY CONGRESSMAN DEWEY BARTLETT (OKLA.) TO PROVIDE INFO RE THE ARREST AND IMPRISONMENT IN JORDAN OF MR. IBRAHIM ABU SHARAR, A JORDANIAN CITIZEN WHO IS HUSBAND OF AMCIT MRS. KARLA D. SHARAR, OF OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLA. ACCORDING TO INFORMATION FURNISHED TO REP. BARTLETT'S OFFICE BY MRS. ABU SHARAR, HER HUSBAND (WHOM SHE MARRIED ON AUGUST 11, 1975 WHILE HE WAS APPARENTLY ABSENT WITHOUT LEAVE FROM AN FAA TRAINING COURSE IN WASHINGTON) RETURNED TO JORDAN VOLUNTARILY ON AUGUST 23 AND WAS IMMEDIATELY INCARCERATED. SHE HAS SINCE LEARNED FROM ABU SHARAR'S FAMILY IN JORDAN THAT HE WAS SUBSEQUENTLY TRIED FOR DESERTION AND SENTENCED TO A 3-MONTH PRISON TERM (REPORTEDLY AT ZARKA MILITARY PRISON) DUE TO EXPIRE ON JAN 10, 1976.

2. MRS. SHARAR FURTHER ALLEGES THAT SHE HAS HEARD FROM HER HUSBAND ONLY ONCE SINCE HIS RETURN TO JORDAN, AND THAT JORDANIAN EMBOFFS HERE HAVE RESPONDED VAGUELY AND EVASIVELY TO HER INQUIRIES ABOUT HIS WELFARE. SHE IS

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CONCERNED ABOUT HIS SAFETY AND URGENTLY REQUESTS INFORMA-

TION REGARDING HIS WELL-BEING, AS WELL AS THE DURATION OF

HIS IMPRISONMENT AND THE CHARGES ON WHICH HE IS BEING HELD. SHE ALSO REQUESTS INFO RE STATUS OF HER I-130 PETITION TO ARRANGE PREFERENCE IMMIGRANT VISA FOR ABU SHARAR, FILED AT INS OFFICE AT DALLAS ON AUGUST 12, 1975. SHE SAYS THEY REQUESTED THAT THE I-130 FORM BE SENT TO AMMAN.

3. DUE TO CONGRESSIONAL INTEREST, AND TO CONCERN OF HIS WIFE, WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY DETERMINING SHARAR'S CONDITION, THE CHARGES AGAINST HIM, THE LENGTH OF HIS SENTENCE (WE REALIZE THIS LATTER WAS NOT POSSIBLE IN THE SIMILAR TOBASY CASE), AND WHETHER HE HAS IN FACT BEEN TRIED FOR DESERTION, AS MRS. SHARAR CLAIMS. DOES EMBASSY HAVE ANY RECORD OF RECEIVING SHARAR'S I-130 FORM? IS THERE A WAY FOR HIS WIFE TO SEND HIM MAIL DIRECTLY? (SHE APPARENTLY CORRESPONDED WITH HER HUSBAND BY SENDING HER LETTERS THROUGH SHARAR'S BROTHER, ZAKI, A TEACHER AT MOHAMMED IBN ALKASSIM SCHOOL, ZERQA).

4. IN THE RELATED CASE OF MOHAMMED TOBASY, CONGRESSMAN WIRTH'S OFFICE HAS INQUIRED ABOUT WHEN TOBASY'S COURT MARTIAL MIGHT BEGIN AND ABOUT WHAT TRIAL PROCEDURES ARE INVOLVED. DO YOU HAVE ANY NEW INFORMATION? KISSINGER

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